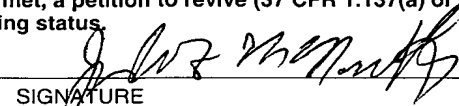


FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 2-2005)		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 230-05
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) NA 10/544252
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/02208	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE February 4, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 10, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD OF ELECTROPLATING A WORKPIECE HAVING HIGH-ASPECT RATIO HOLES,		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Bert Reents and Tafadzwa Magaya		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). <p>Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. EV 281505660 US 23. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 		

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The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE
24. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee		\$300		\$ \$300.00	
25. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4).		\$100		\$ \$200.00	
All other situations.		\$200			
26. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee		\$100			
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority		\$400			
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office		\$500		\$ \$500.00	
All other situations.		\$500			
TOTAL OF 24, 25 and 26 =				\$ \$1,000.00	
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	36 - 20 =	16	x \$50.00	\$ \$800.00	
Independent claims	1 - 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$ \$0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			+ \$360.00	\$ \$360.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ \$2,160.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ \$0.00	
SUBTOTAL =				\$ \$2,160.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$ \$0.00	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ \$2,160.00	
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TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$ \$2,200.00	
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ \$2,200.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.					
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0750 . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
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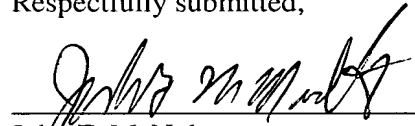
Enclosed and attached hereto are the following documents:

- (1) Express Mail Cover Letter;
- (2) International Application Transmittal form (2 pages);
- (3) Check in the amount of \$2,160.00 for application filing fee;
- (4) Specification (20 pages);
- (5) Claims (3 pages);
- (6) Preliminary Amendment (5 pages);
- (7) Drawings (7 pages);
- (8) Declaration Power of Attorney Document 3 pages (**executed**);

- (9) Assignment with PTO form 1595;
- (10) Check in the amount \$40.00 recordation fee;
- (11) International Publication WO 2004/081262 A1;
- (12) Copy of International Search Report (2 pages);
- (13) Information Disclosure Statement with PTO form 1449 and attachments (9);
- (14) Copy of Request;
- (15) Copy of Form PCT/IB/345 (corrected filing date);
- (16) Copy of Form PCT/IB/304; and
- (17) Paul & Paul postcard to be returned by the PTO.

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